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Jimmy Ray
MBA Captain
1950



Bobby Worrall
All-City '48-'49; Maroon All-time Great



Bob Graham
MBA Alt. Captain
1950

Thumbnail Sketch Of '49 Gridders

Charlie Hawkins, QB—Captain—switched from end to QB in 1949—one of the school's greatest athletes—fine passer—headed for great things in college.

Dillard Adams, End—fine prospect for next year—saw action in several games—good student.

Morris Ferguson, Tackle—rugged on offense and defense—selected on several all-star teams—a great team man.

Matt Wills, Tackle—injury prevented him from going far this year—good defensively.

Francis Horn, Guard—one of the finest blockers on the team—very fast.

Bill Coble, End—big and rugged—made twenty points this year, including three TD's—hard runner.

Bill Bryan, End—one of the best all-around boys in school—excellent pass receiver.

Bob McNeilly, Center—held down pivot post well—he is one of several whom Coach Allen will miss next Fall—48 minute performer.

John Hollins, End—did fine job replacing Coble and Bryan—tall and rangy.

Jimmy Ray, Halfback—went for 97 points—always dependable for three or four yards—called Mr. Boom—one more year coming.

Bill Edwards, Guard—kicked extra points plus first field goal in Nashville for nearly ten years—steady performer—makes up for lack of size in spirit.

Leech, Tackle—backed up line on defense—rough tackler—fast downfield blocker.

Charley Rolfe, Tackle—colorful performer—works on defense—reached peak against Memphis Central.

Homer Gibbs—first string defense at beginning of season—leg injury kept him out of action after mid-season.

Bob Graham, Guard—killer for size—good blocker—played first string—will be mainstay of line next year.

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Student Speakers, Musicians Wake Up Morning Assembly Programs

In an effort to inject a shot of student interest and responsibility into morning assemblies, a series of chapel programs to be conducted by and for M.B.A. boys was recently launched for Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The Wednesday morning schedule features student talks (by Henley, Coble, Bryan, and McNeilly to date) or a panel discussion by silver-tongued products of Mrs. Campbell's public speaking class. Prize performance for the latter was a sophomore impression of the neurotic habits of several faculty members in the morning. This was the skit, you will recall, that left a howling student body, crimson faces around the walls, and an unseasonably crowded failure list.

On Thursday mornings the school's embryonic musicians blossom forth—mostly in the form of pianists Eddie Deck, Ben Adams, and Kent Carney. Chief ivory-tickler Deck now heads these programs, explaining the whys and wherefores of music to be played. Selections thus far have been classical, but sessions of popular music (the history of jazz, the life of George Gershwin) are slated for the near future.

An outlet for Academy talent and a source of real student entertainment, these overdue programs deserve a hearty welcome. With the talent and imagination available they are providing the answer for an otherwise often dry twenty minutes.

MBA Glee Club Yodels Way To New Start

On the rainy evening of December 8th, M.B.A.'s sugar-throated crooners climbed the study hall steps, began a new chapter in Glee Club history.

After three years of noisy, barrelhouse practice sessions fact-

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Rules For Fitts Award Announced By '49 Seniors

Complete plans for the nature and conditions of the newly created Henry A. Fitts Journalism Award were recently announced by members of the Award committee. Rules for this honor as given by committee chairman Vernon Sharp to the Bell Ringer are as follows:

"This award is given by the members of the class of '49 in loving memory of Henry Ayllett Fitts, who died as a result of a traffic mishap in August, 1949.

"Any senior connected with the publication staffs is eligible to receive the award, which may be presented in recognition of faithful and untiring effort, in recognition of outstanding, creative, or beneficial writing, or in recognition of the furtherance by a student of new journalistic ideas or techniques.

"The recipient of the award shall be determined at a meeting of a student-faculty committee, of which the Headmaster shall be chairman. The committee shall be composed of the following members: the Headmaster, the head of the English department, the faculty advisor, the Editor and Business Manager from each of the various publications, the President of the Honor Council, the President of the Senior class, and, in the case that the Senior class president is one of the above-mentioned students, the Vice-President of the Senior class.

"The recipient shall be chosen by a secret ballot, the candidates being eliminated until a majority of the votes is received by one candidate. Each member of the committee shall be entitled to cast one vote.

"In case a controversy not covered by this document should arise, the faculty member of the commit-

Big Red Swamps Cookeville In Thanksgiving Football Finale

Climaxing their second straight season in the undefeated ranks, the MBA Big Red smashed Cookeville's Cavaliers 36-13 in the annual Turkey Day classic on Frank Andrews Field. After the first few moments of play the outcome of the game was never in doubt. In three minutes of the first quarter the Maroons went ahead to stay on a 36-yard run by Bobby Worrall. Worrall, the Interscholastic loop's leading scorer, picked up 97 yards on the ground for his afternoon's work, while his running mate, Jimmy Ray, was grinding out 197 in 14 carries for an average of 12.8 yards each time he moved the pigskin, a fine accumulation in any team's league.

Sparkplug for the Red team all afternoon, however, was End Billy Coble. Coble carried for 28 yards on three end-arounds, received passes for 128 yards, and picked up 12 points

on TD's to top off his offensive performance, besides playing bang-up ball on defense.

Worrall ran the opening kickoff back to the 35, where Hawkins fumbled on the first play. The Cavaliers immediately lost the ball by the same method; and after five plays had netted 27 yards, Worrall skirted left end to tally. Bill Edwards added his first of three placements and MBA led 7-0. Cookeville started out as the highly rated offensive squad they were supposed to be with Chuck Newman and Bob Kirby ripping for 37 and 36 yards, respectively, on the first two plays from scrimmage. The drive fizzled out on the four, and Cookeville fans watched MBA romp for 50 points before the Cavaliers came that close to pay dirt again.

Read the Bell Ringer's complete coverage of Academy, Sports Life on page 3. In this issue: The Football Review, the Basketball Preview, and other features of a great sports year.

In the second period Francis Horn recovered a Kirby fumble on the 35, and a minute later Hawkins heaved a pass to Coble, who bulled 31 yards to tally. Edwards converted and three minutes later booted a field goal from the 18. This was the first three-pointer recorded in the city since before the war.

As the last half began Jimmy Ray broke into the Cookeville secondary for many long gains and two touchdown runs of 47 and 45 yards. With the score 30-0 going into the final moments of play Coach Allen sent in his second

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Vandy's Dr. Sarratt Speaks At Academy

"A subject unfit for polite society—work."

That was the topic as Vanderbilt Vice-Chancellor Madison Sarratt spoke recently to M.B.A. students.

Dr. Sarratt stated the question: "Not long ago I was watching our football team practice; the day was hot and the boys were sweating, straining, putting forth every ounce of effort they had under that boiling sun. To the side a groundskeeper was casually picking up napier scraps with a pointed stick. The team was playing; he was working. Why?"

In a well-shaped, to-the-point talk Dr. Sarratt answered that question, then drove home his time-proven theories on the value of all-out work with a clear-cut goal in view. Along the way his address was sprinkled with humorous but point-making anecdotes.

A clear, pleasing speaker, Dr. Sarratt found a more-than-interested M.B.A. audience—especially among Vandy-bound seniors. To them it seemed that Dr. Sarratt was giving the good word about work to be applied anywhere in general—but at Vanderbilt in particular.

Bottom O' the Afternoon

By BLUE LARUE

Seen at the Eva Thompson Jones' dance last Saturday night were such notables as Second-story Mc-

Daniel, Spike Trimble, and Weed Watts each acquiring one of the E. T. J. cuties . . . Several somber schoolmates transfer to Hillsboro Kindergarten for unknown reasons . . . Eight

barbers die from overwork as Lance is forced to get annual haircut . . . Such guided-toned men as Egolette Wilk and Avril Chorus Cherry to star in operetta sponsored by J. C. (Slide) Rule later in the year . . . Kneebots Bransford relates story as Rolfe visits "the cave" . . . Powell loses way between study hall and gym . . . found four months later in a Louisville nudist colony . . . Don't Randolph generous to let other boys drive his car on double-dates.

Punchboard racket folds at M.B.A. as Gibbs and McNeilly shoot it out with F.B.I. in study hall . . . Cantrell's car mysteriously stalls for two hours near Glendale Park address . . . This year's speech, "My views on the coming election" by J. T. Younger will be given at Don Carlos's Tavern; Hanvitus, Mexico . . . Pedros Gonzales, the greatest bandit in all Mexico, will serve lunch . . . Here is Bill Glenn with another kitchen tip for the Christmas turkey . . . Bill says, "Inmates, after soaking the turkey in gin for two hours, I then make up a solution of Old Grandd and Four Roses for gravy; doesn't taste much like turkey now, but (hic) it sure is good" . . . Fly-wheel Mc-

Quire and Bob Reuther fear replacement as Bouncing Bob Wilk takes to the highway . . . Ninety-proof Wood resigns from Alcoholics Anonymous . . . Wills and Maden buy season tickets to wrestling matches as the Red Tornado . . . Tex Riley leaves town . . . Gibbs passes physics test . . . goes on three-day binge . . . 'tis rumored that Herdin will get the Nobel Prize in Chemistry this year while Puryear is sure to cop the English medal . . . Flash! Four policemen injured as Wild Jim Cherry is finally stopped . . . he planned to dynamite Mrs. B's house . . . Four-eyes Ripsey is nam-

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tee shall be able to render a decision."

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From Football To Life, Three Maxims

Lockers are clacking open and showers steadily hissing in the background as the Maroon football squad of '49 dresses in for the last time. Tomorrow, Nashville papers will blare out the slaughter of Cookeville—this has been a headline-making squad—but in cold black headlines there will be many things unsaid.

The football season is over. It was a good season; you are Mid-State champs, undefeated in 22 games. But as you wearily peel sweat-soaked pads from your shoulders only the thought that it's over forever as far as M. B. A. and Coach are concerned is in your mind. You may be a little happy—no more long practice hours, no more training, no more drudgery—but mostly you're sorry; you'd give your right arm to be able to report to Coach this spring. Forgotten are the summer practices, twice a day under the steaming, strength-sapping August sun, those summer hours when you hit dummies until you felt that no power on earth could make you get up again; but you got up, you got up seven or eight more times when no fiber of body or mind said get up. And after each turn you walked slowly back spitting cotton. Then practice quit, but you came back in three hours. It was cooler in the afternoon, so you worked longer. Practice after school was easier, for you worked less; but still it was football practice. And the games were fun, not fun as fun but rather as satisfaction in making a block, a tackle, a run, a win.

Most of the grim, the distasteful, is not remembered. The record remains, so does the memory of certain games; but something else more indelible has been impressed on your character. You'll never forget the friendships born from the sureness that your teammates would do their jobs; you'll always retain the benefits of the hard work; you may keep these, but the greatest gift is strictly up to you. It is applying football to life by living by the three maxims of Coach: Determination. Desire. Drive. When you think back on this, you know it was worth everything you put into it, and more.

THUMBNAILED SKETCH

(Continued from page 1, column 1)
Bert Madden—exceptional blocker—good on kick-offs—reserve fullback.

Charles McDaniel—good signal caller—fine passer.

Roger Blackwood—saw much action as freshman—first pass in high school competition was TD pass against West.

Marion Smith—speedy fullback—great safety on defense—best performance against Cohn—fine spirit.

Carl Gates—last year's manager was kicking specialist—55 yard kick against Cookeville—great pressure punter.

Tommy Cate—as sophomore was

excellent as McNeilly's replacement—good future—rough and ready.

John Adams—great downfield blocker—good for size—last year in football.

Charley Brooks—saw action as freshman—has promise of becoming outstanding lineman.

Bobby Worrall—most outstanding college prospect to come out of Nashville interscholastic league in years—great runner, downfield blocker, deadly tackler—All-City.

Fontaine McDaniel—good reserve halfback—punky—should develop into outstanding player.

Bob Stroud—good guard—switch of schools rules him out of next year's roster.

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Class News

Junior School News

Miss T. "Did you tell your mother that you hurt your arm?"
Derryberry. "No, she didn't ask me."

The microbes finished their '49 football season with a 34-0 loss to Woodmont. The Microbes won two, lost six, and tied one this year.

The first forms furnish free fights in the morning. Mrs. D. is acting as referee.

John Sloan. "There isn't much traffic out by my house."
Derryberry. "No Roads!"

Freshman News

"Titus" Moody's Dope Sheet is heroning the social register of MBA, bearing the names of such notables as Watt Crockett, Harold Baird, Roger Blackwood, and Bo Jones.

Baird was the noted Zero King and Wayne Blackwelder took the cup for the most demerits, although Bill Brown may catch up with him.

Bobby Nichols and Alan Goar will be among the many who will probably be seen driving their cars about the campus nowadays.

Bob Franklin was accused of spilling water from a spoon at his old men during a gay party. The results could have been disastrous. If you only knew what the injured party's initials were—S.O.

Mrs. Simms has appointed several officers of her own in her first period class; they are: Roger Blackwood, secretary, and Alan Goar, road watcher.

Sambo Harvell has been the perfect freshman all week, being Johnny-on-the-spot after a laxed week and a hard Sunday.

Tully Reuther, one of the many who receive their daily zero in "Senior" English.

I have one question before I sign off. "What would the sixth period algebra class do if the fifth didn't brief them on what happened in their class last year?"

I have heard that Nicholas loves his Chevrolet. Well, every man to his taste, as the guy said who kissed the cow.

Sophomore News

"Will Fess Rule really give three hundreds to his sophomores who joins the Glee Club?" asks Blackwood.

When asked if he had a good time at R.E. Sloan's party Duncan replied, "O.K." (oh, Kay!)

Parson Adams absent as Jim Pelletieri officiates at a recent marriage ceremony.

Jimmy (there are no cops on Belle Meade Blvd.) Anderson claims that he will "Hunter" till he finds her.

Fess Hackman's Bee Team is still awaiting a bowl bid as Plummer exclaims, "We probably won't even get letters this year!"

Cate goes on an alcohol binge in disgust as his algebra average drops to 98.

After taking a recent English test, Bransford asked Mr. Moody if Mrs. Bitzer was going to grade the test too.

Rice comes to school—holiday declared by RLS as DuPlantier runs to store for a bottle of disinfectant.

Jarman returns to MBA and after seeing the Latin assignment for the next day says, "It would take me 3 years to catch up," and then takes the next train back to California. In answer to many questions the composer of Mule Train is not Ben Kingree.

Lance, Randolph and their dates were very tired recently after a ten mile walk through Perry Warner Park. Their car broke down.

Junior News

Hello again from the press room (and I use the term lightly) as the odor of boiled onions sifts in from the kitchen.

To start the week off with a bang Bobby Rippey just came back from the good old sunshine in Florida. You ought to hear the wild and woolly tales he has to tell of his C-man adventures.

If you saw about twenty-five tired boys around school it's because Red Sloan had a party for the Junior Varsity. Seen around the punch bowl were Eddie Moates

and Ben Moore, who seemed to be engrossed in the little pink elephants flying about the room. Playing pin-the-tail on Templeton were a few of the other boys—namely, Lance and Wills.

Some real gray blades around town are Slim Jim Cherry, Bobby Graham, Dillard Adams and many others. These boys were seen sporting really good looking dishes the other a.m. (early).

Speaking of dishes, there are two certain boys in the Junior class going after those Theta girls. Can't guess who the boys are, can you?

Although this column is not the first to tell you, Joe Tennison is pinned. We are all happy for you, Joe.

Senior News

Warning—this column is not fit to read. But after the other class news columns it will seem like a literary masterpiece ranking next to Macbeth, which we all know is inherently dramatic and admirably constructed. It is also a few other things, the definitions of which may be found in the large dictionary in the library.

The G.G.A. (Gentlemen's Gambling Association) has again become active at M.B.A. President Gaylord Dixon has started a small blackjack game in the press room—all are invited to join. Meanwhile, ace publicity director Sickle-Nose Carney, along with Snake-Eyes Brent, Faro Cantrell and Punch-Board Gibbs, is considering new addition to the Association's enterprises. This will be the little practice in which a person invests a small amount of money on a number to be chosen by a predetermined method, no one knowing what the number will be. If the correct digits are selected, the investor receives his principal along with a suitable interest. This sport is colloquially known as the "numbers racket."

Hawkins was seen blabbering in the gym after Trimble had won on the latest punch-board. Charley was sure that "Betty" would hit.

In addition to the aforementioned games, there are others in continual operation on the campus. Warren, Williams, and Fox are busy turning rich matching dimes, while Oman vigorously denies that he won his passing grade in Solid in a crap game with Fess Rule.

News Flashes:
It's rumored that Bill Edward's ambition is to become a referee. Carney's love life hits new high as he tickles a girl's ear. Wood plans to take over St. Louis at Christmas. Missouri reported planning largest fight against one man since Jesse James.

We are sorry to say that we must bring the column to a close now. (Ed Note—This column is also sorry.) The returns just came in from Hialeah and we have to sell the typewriter to pay off our bookie.

JOY'S

For

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Alumni News

by Carl Gates

Ten colleges and universities throughout the country contain the entire senior class of last year, which numbered approximately forty-four students. Most of the boys have entered Vanderbilt here in Nashville, but a few have ventured far from home to establish names for themselves and spread the fame of our school.

David Rounton and Joe White, who have entered Cornell and Michigan State, are doing fine work and we know they will continue to do so in the future.

We have heard that Franklin Jarman, who has entered M.I.T., has made one of the highest averages in the freshman class, a goal which we all know is very to reach since M.I.T. is rated the top engineering school in the country.

Here at Vanderbilt you find in the school of engineering such outstanding alumni as Wilbur Creighton, Walter Hardcastle, Bobby Chickey, and Bob Parrish, to name only a few.

Many alumni will soon come home for Christmas and we are all hoping they will return to the hill and renew old friendships with fellow students and teachers.

GLEE CLUB

(Continued from page 1, column 2)
ulty-sponsor Rule had become fed-up, writing a seaming fins to organized singing at the Academy. Under the pressure of individual pleas and several petitions, though, he had yielded this fall, set up a new project—an operetta instead of separate part numbers.

So it had gone as the Glee Clubs in study hall opened the season with officer elections. Results of the balloting: President, Dick Cantrell; Vice - President, Carl Gates; Secretary-Treasurer, Bob Wilk; Librarian, Jim Henley.

The musical to be given, "The Pennant," is a comic opera with a happy ending for everyone concerned (except the actors and they're keeping a get-away car warm outside the auditorium door). Individual parts for "The Pennant" have not yet been assigned, although Wilk, Gates, and Henley are heard to be warblers of the first magnitude.

Scheduled for early spring, the operetta has great possibilities despite the fact that, as Fess Rule shrewdly observed, "It has not yet outsold South Pacific."

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"MAROON HIGHLIGHTS"

By JIM BRENT

After falling before Howard's rather inexperienced cage team, Father Ryan's highly touted Panthers appeared due for a let-down similar to that of their football team, which was also a pre-season favorite to set the pace in Nashville prep circles. This loss will probably establish the Maroons as favorites to take the Eighth District basketball championship. West remains as an undefeated major team, but unless the Blue Jays improve upon their showings against Howard and Lipscomb, they probably will have been beaten more than once by mid-season.

The team spirit so noticeably absent from last year's basketball squad appears to be here at last. The workouts lately have been marked by plenty of hustle and drive. With the overall ability displayed by the boys, plus determination and student support, 1949 can be a successful basketball year for the Big Red.

Speaking of spirit, unless more boys show up at away-from-home basketball games than did at our out-of-town football engagements, MBA cheering will hardly amount to more than a faint murmur. We counted exactly seven students in the stands at Springfield—obviously not enough to make much noise. Let's all support our basketball team this year.

My Greatest Sports Thrills

By HENRY HACKMAN

as told to Jim Brent

"One of my greatest sports thrills came one fall afternoon twenty-one years ago when U.T. was playing the University of Florida.

"For most of the game the 'Gators had baffled the Vol defenders with their amazing ball handling and were leading 7 to 0 late in the game. It appeared that Tennessee would do well to hold Florida to a one-point victory; with an offense sparked by such backs as Crabtree and Bombaugh, the Orange and Blue started another march downfield. My older brother, Buddy, was in the game playing defensive halfback for Tennessee, and he began to come in a little closer to the line on each play. Finally, as the 'Gators were passing the ball around in their backfield, Buddy ran in, leaped between two Florida backs to intercept a lateral, and streaked past the astonished Florida players to go sixty yards for a touchdown. From that point on the aroused Tennessee players battled Florida on even terms to emerge with a 13-7 win."

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Over Forty Years

In Business

An undefeated season — the dream of every football coach, whether his team be Woodmont Grammar School or the Chicago Bears. This dream has become a reality for Howard Allen, head mentor of MBA's grid machine, for the second straight year. The Big Red howled over every opponent during the '49 season with only one tie to blot a perfect eleven game schedule.

With the graduation of seven of the first stringers from a championship '48 eleven, grid prospects looked black at the opening of this season. Such performers as Billy Joe Ehrhart, Charlie Blackard, Don Wade, and John Roberts cannot be replaced very easily—it was said. But when the Maroons stomped a highly touted Hopkinsville team 20-5 to open the pigskin wars, surprised heads looked up and began to appear hopeful. Charlie Hawkins, switched to quarterback from an end position where he had rated All-State the previous year, handled the ball with all of Blackard's finesse; Bobby Worrall, an ever-daring seatback, stepped into the nighty Ehrhart's shoes capably; Jimmy Ray took up his block-busting running where he had left off; stellar linemen like Bill Coble, Bill Bryan, Jack Leech, and Bob McNeilly appeared to fill up gaping line slots.

After Hoptown, three breathers followed: West, vanquished 39-0; T. . . by a 41-19 count; and DuPont, swamped 32-0. Meanwhile the team was gaining more polish in preparation for its rougher games later on. Hawkins was handling himself like a veteran, Coble and Bryan settled down to calmly

murdering opponents, Worrall and Ray were again the devastating performers of last season.

The Big Red then journeyed down to Memphis, only to wind up tied 12-12 with the Warriors of Central High School. It was a truly heart-breaking result for the Maroons, as they twice came from behind to tie the score, but could not gain the one extra point needed so badly to go ahead. One of the most unforgettable plays of the year came out of this game when in the first period Chuck Hawkins intercepted a Warrior aerial on the Central fifteen and ran the ball back five yards before being hit. As he fell to the turf the ball squirted out of his arms, rolling around crazily on the field. Charlie Rolfe, playing a standout defensive game at tackle, swooped down on the loose ball, and

chugged like a lumbering locomotive for twenty more yards. On the next play from scrimmage Bobby Worrall slipped around left end and outran the secondary for sixty yards to tally one of his two TD's of the afternoon.

Next on the schedule came the game to determine the Interscholastic League champ—MBA vs. Father Ryan. When the dust and smoke had cleared at the end of 48 thrill-packed minutes, the scoreboard read MBA 19, Ryan 14. This tussle was marked by many fumbles on both sides, and generally sloppy play, but Worrall stole the entire show, averaging 6.4 yards each time he carried the ball.

Another rugged opponent, the Springfield Yellow Jackets, were also smothered by an identical score on the Jacket field. On the (Continued on page 4, column 5)



M. B. A.'s Ray slogs for TD against Cookeville.

Cage Outlook For '50: Fair and Warmer

Eight Maroon Gridders Named All-Nashville

After a hang-up gridiron season in which M.B.A.'s Big Red had copped the Interscholastic League title for the second straight year, eight members of the Maroon starting lineup were honored with All-Nashville recognition.

In the Tennessee Bobby Worrall for his great, all-out performances in every game, was selected team Captain. Rounding out the first squad were Charlie Hawkins, Morris Ferguson, and Bill Bryan, all of whom constantly proved themselves the class of the league. Since every man on the Maroon could not be put on the first team, (although others were perhaps just as deserving) Bill Coble and Jimmy Ray were delegated to the second team, while Jack Leech gained honorable mention.

On the Banner's team Worrall, Hawkins, and Ferguson were chosen on both the first and all-AA groups. Selected on the second team were Bryan and Ray with Bryan joining the first three on the all-AA division team.

Although these boys were specifically honored on a mythical team, the real tribute for the year belongs to every boy on the M.B.A. squad. Every member completed some block, made some tackle or other play which eventually enabled the team to win. To it seems that Nashville papers honored these eight boys not only for their individual performances but also as representatives of the great M.B.A. team of 1949.



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Post Mortem of '49; Maroon Stars Talk

by Kent Carney

After the Big Red had just finished its second straight undefeated season, we took a little walk through the bedlam of the MBA dressing room. Amidst the screams of joy at the winning of the game, and some remorseful wails from graduating seniors, we managed to record the following:

End Coach Ed Ellington: "Everybody in the line played his best game of the year. I'm proud of every one of them."

Jimmy Ray: "This was a great way to end our season."

Jack Leech: "We've sure got something to be thankful for this Thanksgiving."

Bobby Worrall: "All the boys played fine ball. They're a swell gang."

Francis Horn and Charley Hawkins: "Coble is the best end we've seen all season."

Billy Coble (with tears streaming down his face): "I'm sorry it's all over."

Bobby Graham: "They were awfully clean."

Billy Bryan: "Coach Allen is the greatest coach in the world."

Bob McNeilly: "We couldn't have won any of the games without every single boy in there pitching."

Bill Edwards: "I'm speechless."

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Personality of the Month

by Mack Dixon



BILLY BRYAN

President of the senior class, All-Nashville in football, student leader—that's Bill Bryan. Bill is certainly a leader in all that he does and is tops in popularity at MBA.

Beginning his career at the academy as a freshman, Bill served as class secretary-treasurer. He first made the privilege list that year and has seldom since been off the list. As a sophomore he was elected vice-president and continued to be a leader in school work.

Elected president of the junior class the next year, Bill had the difficult job of handling a group noted for its many meetings and arguments. This year, climaxing a brilliant career as a class officer, Bill was given the honor by his classmates of serving as president of the senior class. As usual, he ranks among the top boys in scholastic standing.

Bill's record in the athletic field is just as brilliant as his scholastic record. He played end on the great football team of '44, and also stepped into the tailback slot to sling passes. He was also a regular on the championship "B" basketball team.

Last year Bill made the varsity squad, again playing end. This season he made the All-Nashville team and is generally considered one of the finest pass receivers in the city. His defensive play was great, his end having been turned very little during the season. Bill is now out for basketball and already has cinched a spot on the squad.

Likes and Dislikes:
Favorite subject—math.
Hardest subject—English.
Easiest subject—Spanish.
Most hated subject—English.
Favorite food—fried chicken.
Most hated food—cauliflower.
Favorite sport—football.
Favorite comic character—L'il Abner (who else?)
Favorite actress—June Allyson.

CAGE OUTLOOK

(Continued from page 3, column 4) center, while the forwards will be Chuck Hawkins and Bill Coble. Oman, Hawkins, and Coble were starters much of the time last season; Hawkins also started at center and forward for the two previous years. All three possess plenty of size to go along with their experience; the trio averages better than 6'3" and should give all their opponents rough nights in the rebounding department.

Carl Gates and Inman Fox, a pair of fast sharpshooters, will start at the guard positions; at 6'1", Gates is tall enough to grab plenty of rebounds himself, while Fox makes up for his lack of size with his smooth, deceptive floor play.

The remaining two returnees, John Ackley and Jimmy Ray, are both juniors who will give the starters, all seniors, frequent relief. Bill Bryan, Morris Ferguson, Francis Horn, Jack Leech, Robert McNeilly, and Charley McDaniel round out the Big Red's capable reserve list.

Key Clubbers Host First '49 Bell Hop

Taking a big step ahead in their school improvement campaign, Maroon Key Clubbers sponsored a grade-A dance Thanksgiving night in M. B. A.'s picture-lined Honor Room.

The affair, first in the '49-50 series of revitalized Bell Hops, pulled in a fine crowd with plenty of dates as well as stags showing up. Proceeds from the dance tinkled into the Key Club's current fund for framing, displaying old Maroon team pictures and other shots of general interest to M. B. A. students. Also slated by the Club was financing the engraving

for last year's football trophies. Past Key Club projects for the Academy include the Honor Room trophy case, rest room mirrors, Maroon sports clippings from local papers on the lunch room bulletin board, and much-needed lights for the front walk.

Last week, with new ideas shaping up and the first Bell Hop a success, Maroon Club President Lem Stevens looked to a bright future, said, "One of our objects in the Key Club is to serve the school; and, if every project turns out as well as most of those in the past, this club cannot help but better M. B. A."

M.B.A.-Cookeville Facts and Figures

| Yardstick | | Cookeville | | Worrall | | Cookeville | | Yards | | Tries | | Av. | |
|-------------------------------|-----|------------|------|---------|--|------------|--|-------|--|-------|--|-----|--|
| MBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yds. returned, | 66 | 69 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kickoff, | 66 | 69 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yards rushing, | 320 | 252 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net | 11 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First downs | 11 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Passes attempted | 12 | 11 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Passes completed | 6 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yards passing, | 151 | 35 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Net | 151 | 35 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fumbles | 6 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Opponents' fumbles recovered, | 4 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Punting Av. | 46 | 35.7 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Opponents' passes intercepted | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yds. run back | 7 | 7 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Penalties | 5 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| From Scrimmage | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Individual Leaders Rushing | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MBA | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ray | 179 | 14 | 12.8 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coble | 28 | 3 | 9.3 | | | | | | | | | | |

BOTTOM

(Continued from page 1, column 4) ed an accomplice... Tension stars for rifle team as several players on other teams die of lead poisoning... the opinions reflected in this column are only of A.C. and D.C. and censor-in-chief R.L.S. Alan Cooper

BIG RED

(Continued from page 1, column 5) team, which allowed two Cavalier scores, one by Newman and the other by Kirby. Sending the first-stringers back in, Allen let Coble tally again on a Hawkins aerial, this time for 59 yards.

Defensively for the Maroons it was Coble, Hawkins, Worrall, Horn, and Charlie Rolfe standing out. Hack Newman and Holloway were the Cavalier bright spots while MBA possessed the ball, and Chuck Newman and Kirby ripped for much yardage lugging the ball.

| Lineup | | Cookeville | |
|--|----|------------|--|
| MBA | | | |
| Coble | LE | H. Newman | |
| Leech | LT | Carlen | |
| Edwards | LC | Holloway | |
| McNeilly | C | Lafever | |
| Graham | RG | Parris | |
| Ferguson | RT | Wilson | |
| Bryan | RE | McCulley | |
| Hawkins | QB | Allen | |
| Ray | HB | C. Newman | |
| Worrall | HB | Kirby | |
| Ackley | FB | Brown | |
| Subs: MBA — Horn, Madden, Rolfe, Cate, Gates, F. McDaniel, J. Adams, D. Adams, Gibbs, Smith, Brooks, Blackwood, Cookeville—Smith, Parrish, Anderson, Ferguson. | | | |

HOWARD ALLEN

(Continued from page 3, column 4) muddy ground—the Springfield single-wing passing had no ill effects, scoring twice by the air route, and picking up 150 yards. But the powerful Maroon ground attack counterbalanced this total and tacked on the six-pointer for the winning margin.

The Red team finished the regular season in spectacular form, besting, in order: Tullahoma, 27-6; Clarksville, 46-7; and Cohn, 45-13. Then came the big game of the year.

After the unfortunate disqualification of Isaac Litton, Coach Allen was forced to schedule another post-season opponent. He chose the Cookeville Cavaliers, Upper-Cumberland Valley champions. MBA went into the game a touch-down favorite, but soon turned it into a rout, winding up on the long end of a 36-13 count.

Yes, an undefeated team is a dream occurring but few times, if any, in a coach's career. But just ask Howard Allen if dreams ever come true.

—Kent Carney.

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